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COL Steve Aiton is a Distinguished Military Graduate of the Louisiana State University ROTC program where he was commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the Adjutant General Corps, with an initial branch detail to Infantry, in 1990.

COL Aiton holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Accounting from Louisiana State University, a Master of Arts in Human Resource Management from Webster University, and a Master of Science in National Security Strategy from the National War College.

His military education includes the Infantry Officer Basic Course, the Adjutant General Advanced Course, the Combined Arms and Service Staff School, the Army Command and General Staff College, and the National War College.

COL Aiton has served in a variety of assignments ranging from platoon to combatant command level. His initial assignments as an Infantry Officer were with the 5th Infantry Division at Fort Polk, Louisiana and the 2nd Armored Division at Fort Hood, Texas where he served as a Rifle Platoon Leader, Company Executive Officer, Support Platoon Leader, and Battalion S4. Key assignments as a Human Resources Officer include Company Command of the 19th Replacement Company, Fort Bragg, North Carolina; Division Strength Manager and Deputy G1, 82nd Airborne Division; Chief of the Combat Support and Combat Services Support Enlisted Distribution Teams, Army Human Resources Command; Brigade S3, 1st Personnel Command, Schwetzingen, Germany; Military Assistant to the Army G1 and Executive Officer, Colonels Management Office, Pentagon; G1 of the 3rd Infantry Division, Fort Stewart, Georgia; Chief of the J1 Personnel Division at the United States Central Command, Tampa, Florida, and the Commander U.S. Army Garrison, FT Knox, KY.

COL Aiton's awards and decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal, the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star Medal (2OLC), the Meritorious Service Medal (4OLC), the Army Commendation Medal, the Army Achievement Medal (5OLC), and various other campaign and service medals. He is authorized to wear the Expert Infantryman's Badge, the Senior Parachutist Badge, the Air Assault Badge, the Army Staff Identification Badge, and the Venezuelan Parachutist Badge.

COL Aiton is married and has three children.